

13 August 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 13 August 1979

The Director chaired the meeting. [ ]

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Stein reported continuing unrest in both the YAR and PDRY during unification talks. The Director noted the YAR and Saudis appear to be drawing further apart. [ ]

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Calling attention to recent press articles on news reporter Sam Jaffe's past relationship with the Intelligence Community, Stein provided the Director a copy of former Director Colby's letter to Jaffe which was intended to clarify Jaffe's relationship and assist him in gaining employment. Stein noted at that time the DDO opposed Colby's providing such a letter. [ ]

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[ ] reported the need for an additional [ ] Reserve Release for Afghanistan and that the request is being forwarded for OMB approval. In response to a question from the Director, [ ] explained this amount is in addition to the earlier request for [ ] but within the total estimate of [ ] thus, he said notification to Congress would be more or less pro forma. [ ]

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Bowie reported a growing campaign, similar to that against deployment of the US cruise missile, against theater nuclear forces modernization.

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[ ] commented briefly on a memo he is sending the Director about Senator McGovern's request for declassification of the [ ] report and noted concern expressed by SSCI members on SFRC's growing involvement in intelligence activities. [ ] noted Representative Aspin's press disclosure yesterday on CIA analysts' forecasts for decreased oil production in Iran. The Director added his disappointment that Aspin continues such disclosures despite his phone call last week to Aspin. [ ]

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Silver reported the Attorney General's approval of procedures for implementing E.O. 12036, noting this is to be accomplished within 30 days, and should satisfy Vice President Mondale's interest. [ ]

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The Director said his speaking engagement in Dallas before the Association of American Bar Presidents and Executives was most successful; he said his audience was supportive and presented thoughtful questions. [ ]

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Waller said the IOB is looking again into the matter of illegal file holdings throughout the Intelligence Community for name checks on US persons. He said the thrust of IOB's effort is on establishing conformity throughout the community on how name traces are to be handled. Relatedly, the Director added he was pleased to note in Boland's letter to the President on security procedures that CIA was not faulted. [redacted]

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May reported continuing high response to the recruitment ad campaign; he said the press is claiming we have had over 5,000 responses. Noting his chat with recruiter [redacted] the Director advised that an evaluation be made to determine if what we got out of this campaign was worth the effort. May said this would be done. (Action: DDA) [redacted]

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Shackley said there are no new developments in collection against Cuba. He reported also a sudden increase in the number of Soviet tanks appearing in Bengazi, Libya. Bowie noted a NODIS being reviewed on this; both agreed this warrants special attention. The Director reminded them that our principal consumers are to be kept informed of the Libya-Egypt situation. [redacted]

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The Director asked if we have confirmation on reports of the bad food situation in Kampuchea. [redacted]

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[redacted] Mr. Carlucci suggested, and the Director agreed, a debriefing of Representative Rosenthal, et al., on their recent trip to Southeast Asia would be most helpful. [redacted]

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The Director noted the situation in the Sudan and Morocco is less urgent at the moment but bears a close watch. [redacted]

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The Director said during this week Stoertz, et al., will be preparing contributions on the MX issue for PRC review. In response to the Director's question on Agee, Silver said DoJ has turned down a criminal action approach to Agee but that a civil case approach will be pursued. Stein said it is not yet known when and if Agee will enter the US. [redacted]

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Noting Shackley's announced retirement, the Director thanked Shackley for his excellent service and announced that [redacted] (pending the ironing out of some details re Senate confirmation) will be leaving on 27 August [redacted]

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The Director said he will be moving to his new home on Friday and will turn things over to Mr. Carlucci at noon tomorrow. The Director said he plans to be on leave for two weeks. Mr. Carlucci said he will be attending an Executive Course at IBM during the first four days of next week. [redacted]

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